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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Before examining the subject application, please amend it as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4-7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16-18, and 20 as follows:

--4. (Amended) The X-ray apparatus (1) according to claim 2, characterized in that

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a) a housing (10) for receiving the translational and rotational means (11, 13) is provided, which housing (10) can be kept stationary during the scanning movement (8b, 27)